

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED POSS DUPE

PAGE 01 LONDON 07598 021719Z

73

ACTION EB-11

INFO OCT-01 EUR-25 ADP-00 AGR-20 COME-00 L-03 CIAE-00

INR-10 NSAE-00 RSC-01 PA-03 PRS-01 USIA-12 AID-20

IGA-02 IO-13 OIC-04 AF-10 ARA-11 EA-11 NEA-10 OMB-01

TRSE-00 RSR-01 /170 W

----- 107223

R 021707Z JUL 73

FM AMEMBASSY LONDON

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2308

UNCLAS LONDON 07598

PASS AGRICULTURE

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAGR: ECRP: XX

SUBJECT: THIRTEENTH SESSION FOOD AID COMMITTEE

1. MAIN DECISION OF 13TH SESSION OF FOOD AID COMMITTEE WHICH WAS HELD JUNE 29 WAS TO AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF INTERNATIONAL WHEAT COUNCIL TO PREPARE DRAFT PROTOCOL FOR EXTENDING FOOD AID CONVENTION, 1971 (FAC) FOR TWO MORE YEARS. FAC EXPIRES JUNE 30, 1974 IF NOT RENEWED.

2. DRAFT PROTOCOL WILL BE CIRCULATED TO MEMBER GOVERNMENTS FOR CONSIDERATION BY SPECIAL SESSION OF COMMITTEE ON OCTOBER 25. SPECIAL SESSION WILL DECIDE ON FINAL FORM AND CONTENT OF INSTRUMENT TO BE PRESENTED TO CONFERENCE OF GOVERNMENTS ON NOVEMBER 25. DECISION OF FOOD AID COMMITTEE AS TO WHETHER TO RECOMMEND EXTENSION OF FAC WILL OF COURSE DEPEND ON PRIOR DECISION BY IWC MEMBERS ACTING AS CONFERENCE OF GOVERNMENTS TO RECOMMEND EXTENSION OF INTERNATIONAL WHEAT TRADE CONVENTION. OTHER HIGHLIGHTS:

UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 LONDON 07598 021719Z

3. EEC'S ARREARS IN FOOD AID CONTINUE TO MOUNT. WHILE EEC FINALLY COMPLETED FY1969 SHIPMENT OBLIGATIONS, IT

STILL HAS TO SHIP ABOUT 9,000 TONS OF GOOD GRAINS
AGAINST FY1971 OBLIGATIONS; 379,000 AGAINST FY1972
OBLIGATIONS; AND MORE THAN 1 MILLION TONS AGAINST FY1973
OBLIGATIONS.

4. ARGENTINA ALSO CONTINUES TO LAG IN MEETING OBLIGA-
TIONS. IT HAS NOT FULLY MET FY1971 AND 1972 OBLIGATIONS
AND SEEMS UNLIKELY TO MEET FY1973 OBLIGATIONS.

5. COMMITTEE AGREED TO PERMIT AUSTRALIA TO CALCULATE
WHEAT EQUIVALENT OF 30,000 TONS OF RICE DONATED TO INDIA
AND BANGLADESH IN FY1971 ON BASIS OF VALUE RATHER THAN
ON TON-FOR-TON BASIS.

6. ELECTED A. E. SEWARD OF ARGENTINA AS CHAIRMAN OF FAC
FOR CROP YEAR 1973/74.

7. FAO OBSERVER A. BINDER PAINTED SOMBER PICTURE OF
FOOD NEEDS OF DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND STRESSED FAO
DIRECTOR GENERAL'S APPEAL TO DONOR COUNTRIES NOT TO
CURTAIL FOOD AID IN CURRENT SITUATION.

8. UNCTAD OBSERVER DECLARED THAT DESPITE UN EMPHASIS ON
CONCENTRATING AID TO 25 LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES,
THESE COUNTRIES WERE RECEIVING LOWER SHARE OF FOOD AID
THAN THEIR POPULATION JUSTIFIED. ALSO INDICATED WILLING-
NESS OF UNCTAD TO SPONSOR NEGOTIATING CONFERENCE FOR NEW
INTERNATIONAL WHEAT AGREEMENT AND FOOD AID CONVENTION.

9. WORLD FOOD PROGRAM OBSERVER WARNED WFP COULD NO
LONGER CHANNEL FAC FOOD DONATIONS TO RECIPIENT COUNTRIES
UNLESS ACCOMPANYING CASH GRANTS FOR TRANSPORTATION AND
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES MATCHED INCREASED COSTS. TWENTY-
TWO AND ONE-HALF PERCENT CASH GRANTS, HE SAID, WERE NO
LONGER ADEQUATE BECAUSE OF HIGH OCEAN FREIGHT RATES.

ANNENBERG

UNCLASSIFIED

NNNNMAFVVZCZ

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 02 JUL 1973
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: n/a
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 JAN 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1973LONDON07598
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: n/a
From: LONDON
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1973/newtext/t19730758/aaaabqxr.tel
Line Count: 98
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE
Office: ACTION EB
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators:
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: kellerpr
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 09 AUG 2001
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <09-Aug-2001 by ovegboo>; APPROVED <10-Sep-2001 by kellerpr>
Review Markings:

Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
30 JUN 2005

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: THIRTEENTH SESSION FOOD AID COMMITTEE
TAGS: EAGR, ECRP, XX
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 30 JUN 2005